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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Exports from the United States,
to specified countries,
average 1935-39, annual 1950-53

Country of destination	Year beginning October 1				
	Average				1953
	1935-39	1950	1951	1952	2/
	1/ 1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
<u>Peas, green 3/</u>					
Canada.....	79	21	39	44	31
Cuba.....	1	1	0	1	0
Mexico.....	4/	4/	0	0	0
Venezuela.....	4/	6	4/	1	4/
Others.....	6	4/	1	0	1
Total.....	86	28	40	46	32
<u>Beans, fresh 3/</u>					
Canada.....	174	190	270	239	321
Cuba.....	3	2	1	4	1
Mexico.....	1	3	2	6	3
Venezuela.....	1	4/	2	2	0
Other.....	5	3	1	1	11
Total.....	184	198	276	252	336
<u>Peppers 3/</u>					
Canada.....	19	105	90	126	156
Cuba.....	4/	1	1	1	0
Mexico.....	1	3	5	5	1
Venezuela.....	4/	4/	4/	0	0
Other.....	2	1	1	1	3
Total.....	22	110	97	133	160
<u>Tomatoes, fresh 3/</u>					
Canada.....	344	871	1,092	1,137	1,270
Cuba.....	1	18	22	20	24
Mexico.....	15	56	91	60	30
Venezuela.....	4/	16	4/	4/	0
Other.....	8	10	11	10	18
Total.....	368	971	1,216	1,227	1,342

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Exports from the United States,
to specified countries,
average 1935-39, annual 1950-53

Country of destination	Year beginning October 1				
	Average				1953
	1935-39	1950	1951	1952	2/
	1/				
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	sacks	sacks	sacks	sacks	sacks
<u>Onions</u>					
Canada.....	155	458	848	636	1,045
Cuba.....	423	808	830	804	876
Mexico.....	27	148	80	164	87
Venezuela.....	1	46	3	1	0
Other.....	270	357	279	231	417
Total.....	876	1,817	2,040	1,836	2,425
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
<u>Potatoes</u>					
Canada.....	379	949	3,718	2,368	2,012
Cuba.....	854	1,429	1,522	1,219	702
Mexico.....	57	388	472	527	406
Venezuela.....	83	1,073	356	347	241
Other.....	566	751	394	351	301
Total.....	1,939	4,590	6,462	4,812	3,742

1/ Calendar year.

2/ Eleven months, October through August.

3/ Not separately classified prior to 1936.

4/ Less than 500.

Converted to sacks or bushels of the following weights:
peas, green, 30 lbs.; beans, 30 lbs.; peppers, 25 lbs.;
tomatoes, 53 lbs.; onions, 50 lbs.; potatoes, 60 lbs.

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of the Census.

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Exports from the United States,
to specified countries,
1950-53

Country of destination	Year beginning October 1			
	1950	1951	1952	1953 <u>1/</u>
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	crates	crates	crates	crates
<u>Celery</u>				
Canada.....	833	966	1,073	1,151
Cuba.....	1	2	2	2/
Mexico.....	1	1	1	0
Venezuela.....	1	1	2/	2/
Other.....	11	11	13	14
Total.....	847	981	1,089	1,165
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
<u>Spinach</u>				
Canada.....	235	308	291	264
Other.....	1	0	0	3
Total.....	236	308	291	267
	Short	Short	Short	Short
	tons	tons	tons	tons
<u>Cabbage</u>				
Canada.....	19,657	24,389	26,295	27,728
Cuba.....	466	360	313	219
Mexico.....	130	151	308	45
Venezuela.....	15	0	3	0
Other.....	441	290	227	437
Total.....	20,709	25,190	27,146	28,429
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
<u>Carrots</u>				
Canada.....	942	1,170	1,157	1,336
Cuba.....	25	23	38	38
Mexico.....	2/	4	1	1
Venezuela.....	1	2/	0	0
Other.....	15	12	13	17
Total.....	983	1,214	1,209	1,392

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Exports from the United States,
to specified countries,
1950-53

Country of destination	Year beginning October 1			
	1950	1951	1952	1953 ^{1/}
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
<u>Vegetables, frozen</u>				
Canada.....	317	2,003	6,020	10,490
Cuba.....	78	78	88	69
Mexico.....	2/	1	17	1
Venezuela.....	434	403	341	281
Other.....	848	904	1,060	869
	<u>1,677</u>	<u>3,389</u>	<u>7,546</u>	<u>11,710</u>
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	crates	crates	crates	crates
<u>Lettuce</u>				
Canada.....	1,069	1,170	1,383	1,428
Cuba.....	43	55	61	46
Mexico.....	5	5	8	5
Venezuela.....	4	3	1	2/
Other.....	17	19	16	23
	<u>1,138</u>	<u>1,252</u>	<u>1,469</u>	<u>1,502</u>

^{1/} Eleven months, October-August.

^{2/} Less than 500.

Converted to crates or bushels of the following weights:
celery, 60 lbs.; spinach, 20 lbs.; carrots, 50 lbs.;
lettuce, 70 lbs.

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of the Census.

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Imports into the United States,
from specified countries,
annual 1950-53

Country of origin	Year beginning October 1			
	1950	1951	1952	1953 1/
	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
<u>Beans, other than lima</u>				
Canada.....	2/	2/	2/	2/
Mexico.....	27	33	46	60
Other.....	1	3	9	0
Total.....	28	36	55	60
	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons
<u>Cabbage</u>				
Canada.....	888	1,409	1,031	2
Cuba.....	175	118	0	0
Mexico.....	15	66	0	0
Other.....	6,279	7,741	810	116
Total.....	7,357	9,334	1,841	118
	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
<u>Carrots</u>				
Canada.....	57	138	96	43
Other.....	0	2/	2/	2/
Total.....	57	138	96	43
<u>Cucumbers</u>				
Canada.....	3	4	9	14
Cuba.....	341	343	425	520
Mexico.....	10	8	7	10
Other.....	0	1	3	2
Total.....	354	356	444	546
<u>Eggplant</u>				
Cuba.....	84	91	49	41
Mexico.....	6	2	8	3
Other.....	2/	2/	0	2/
Total.....	90	93	57	44

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Imports into the United States,
from specified countries,
annual 1950-53

Country of origin	Year beginning October 1			
	1950	1951	1952	1953 <u>1/</u>
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>lbs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>
Garlic				
Canada.....	43	17	169	0
Mexico.....	10,869	7,382	9,572	10,525
Chile.....	153	439	2,073	1,338
Argentina.....	141	1,223	0	247
France.....	39	15	86	11
Italy.....	4,422	4,879	4,289	4,728
Japan.....	14	79	1,316	755
Spain.....	0	1,167	2,554	1,379
Guatemala.....	0	30	0	0
Hungary.....	0	331	1,053	175
Germany, Western...	0	0	3	0
French Morocco.....	0	0	68	61
Egypt.....	0	0	429	1,686
Yugoslavia.....	0	0	51	183
India.....	0	0	15	0
Netherlands.....	0	0	0	309
Greece.....	0	0	0	95
Greenland.....	0	0	0	9
Cuba.....	0	0	0	53
Dominican Republic.	0	0	0	9
Peru.....	0	0	0	2
Total.....	<u>15,681</u>	<u>15,562</u>	<u>21,678</u>	<u>21,565</u>
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>bu.</u>	<u>bu.</u>	<u>bu.</u>	<u>bu.</u>
Green peas				
Canada.....	1	1	20	14
Cuba.....	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	0
Mexico.....	221	187	220	182
Other.....	<u>2/</u>	1	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Total.....	<u>222</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>196</u>
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>crates</u>	<u>crates</u>	<u>crates</u>	<u>crates</u>
Lettuce				
Canada.....	165	137	128	84
Mexico.....	<u>2/</u>	0	0	0
Other.....	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	0	0
Total.....	<u>165</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>84</u>

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Imports into the United States,
from specified countries,
annual 1950-53

Country of origin	:	Year	:	beginning	:	October	:	1
	:	1950	:	1951	:	1952	:	1953 1/
	:	1,000	:	1,000	:	1,000	:	1,000
	:	sacks	:	sacks	:	sacks	:	sacks
<u>Onions</u>	:							
Canada.....	:	15	:	1	:	15	:	5
Mexico.....	:	123	:	268	:	331	:	205
Chile.....	:	197	:	284	:	286	:	0
Italy.....	:	69	:	59	:	95	:	89
Other.....	:	11	:	28	:	48	:	1
Total.....	:	415	:	640	:	775	:	300
	:	1,000	:	1,000	:	1,000	:	1,000
	:	bu.	:	bu.	:	bu.	:	bu.
<u>Peppers (green)</u>	:							
Canada.....	:	3	:	8	:	1	:	2/
Cuba.....	:	60	:	31	:	33	:	16
Mexico.....	:	673	:	781	:	738	:	554
Other.....	:	2/	:	2/	:	2/	:	2/
Total.....	:	736	:	820	:	772	:	570
<u>Potatoes, table</u>	:							
Canada.....	:	2,180	:	283	:	1,274	:	1,163
Cuba.....	:	0	:	24	:	1	:	0
Mexico.....	:	1	:	0	:	0	:	0
Other.....	:	0	:	619	:	0	:	0
Total.....	:	2,181	:	926	:	1,275	:	1,163
<u>Potatoes, seed</u>	:							
Canada.....	:	3,182	:	1,315	:	2,013	:	1,774
Cuba.....	:	0	:	9	:	0	:	0
Mexico.....	:	2/	:	0	:	0	:	2/
Total.....	:	3,182	:	1,324	:	2,013	:	1,774

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: Imports into the United States,
from specific countries,
annual 1950-53

Country of origin	Year beginning October 1			
	1950	1951	1952	1953 1/
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
<u>Squash</u>				
Canada.....	4	1	12	194
Cuba.....	0	0	100	0
Mexico.....	245	198	342	0
Other.....	0	2/	2/	0
Total.....	249	199	454	194
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
<u>Tomatoes</u>				
Canada.....	35	60	60	43
Cuba.....	507	326	297	271
Mexico.....	2,675	3,248	3,624	2,658
Other.....	84	38	83	51
Total.....	3,301	3,672	4,064	3,023
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	sacks	sacks	sacks	sacks
<u>Turnips & rutabagas</u>				
Canada.....	2,710	2,779	2,010	1,972
Mexico.....	4	3	0	0
Total.....	2,714	2,782	2,010	1,972

1/ Eleven months, October through August.

2/ Less than 500.

Converted to sacks or bushels of the following weights: beans, 30 lbs.; carrots, 50 lbs.; cucumbers, 48 lbs.; eggplant, 33 lbs.; green peas, 30 lbs.; lettuce, 70 lbs.; onions, 50 lbs.; peppers, 25 lbs.; potatoes, 60 lbs.; tomatoes, 53 lbs.; turnips & rutabagas, 50 lbs.

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of the Census.

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VEGETABLES, FRESH: United States import duties

Commodity	Rate of duty	Limitation
Beans, fresh.....	3-1/2¢ per pound	
	3.1¢ " "	Cuba only
Cabbage.....	3/4¢ " "	
Carrots.....	12.5% ad valorem	
Cucumbers.....	2.2¢ per pound	Dec. 1 to end of Feb.
	1¢ " "	" " .. Cuba only
	3¢ " "	March 1--June 30
	2.4¢ " "	" " Cuba only
	1.5¢ " "	July 1--Aug. 31
	3¢ " "	Sept. 1--Nov. 30
	2.4¢ " "	" " Cuba only
Eggplant.....	1.5¢ " "	April 1--Nov. 30
	1.2¢ " "	" " Cuba only
	1.2¢ " "	Dec. 1--March 31
	.6¢ " "	" " Cuba only
Garlic.....	3/4¢ " "	
Lettuce.....	1¢ " "	June 1--Oct. 31
	2¢ " "	Nov. 1--May 31
Onions.....	1-3/4¢ " "	Except onion sets
Peas, Green.....	1¢ " "	July 1--Sept. 30
	2¢ " "	Oct. 1--June 30
Peppers, green....	2.5¢ " "	
	2.2¢ " "	Cuba only
Potatoes:		
Seed.....	37.5¢ per cwt.	2.5 million-bushel quota, year
		beginning Sept. 15.
	75¢ " "	For all over quota
Table stock.....	37.5¢ " "	1.0 million-bushel quota, year
		beginning Sept. 15, and
		increased by amount U.S. crop
		(Sept. 1 estimate) is below
		350 million bushels
	75¢ " "	For all over quota.

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Commodity	Rate of duty	Limitation
Squash.....	1.1¢ per pound .8¢ " "	Cuba only
Tomatoes.....	2.1¢ " " 1.8¢ " " 1.5¢ " " 1.2¢ " "	Mar.1--July 14; Sept.1--Nov.14 " " " " Cuba only July 15--Aug.31; Nov.15 to end of Feb. " " " " Cuba only

Source: U. S. Import duties 1952, United States Tariff Commission.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

In

SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Year	United States	Canada	Mexico
		1948 = 100	
1937	59	55	76
38	46	52	76
39	56	56	74
1945	104	95	93
46	87	88	96
47	96	96	100
1948	100	100	100
49	93	102	107
50	108	108	118
1951	115	115	127
52	119	119	130
53	129	127	133
1954	<u>2/119</u>	<u>1/128</u>	-

1/ End of June 1954.

2/ End of August 1954.

SOURCE: International Financial Statistics,
Vol. VII, No. 10, October 1954.

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In

SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Year	United States	Canada	Mexico <u>1/</u>	Venezuela <u>2/</u>
			1948 = 100	
1937	54	56	36	60
38	49	53	38	58
39	48	51	38	58
1945	66	68	76	78
46	75	72	88	79
47	92	84	93	90
1948	100	100	100	100
49	95	103	110	95
50	99	109	120	95
1951	110	124	148	100
52	107	117	154	102
53	105	114	151	99
1954	<u>3/</u> 106	<u>4/</u> 112	<u>4/</u> 168	<u>3/</u> 103

1/ Mexico City.

2/ Caracas.

3/ End of August 1954.

4/ End of July 1954.

SOURCE: International Financial Statistics,
Vol. VII, No. 10, October 1954.

EXCHANGE RATES IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

In Terms Of

UNITED STATES CURRENCY, 1937-54

Year	Canada	Mexico	Cuba	Venezuela
	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>
	Dollar	Peso	Peso <u>4/</u>	Bolivar
	- U.S. cents per unit of foreign currency -			
1937	<u>2/</u> 99.9	28	99	31
38	<u>2/</u> 99	20	98	31
39	90	18	88	31
1945	<u>3/</u> 91	21	100	30
46	<u>3/</u> 99.5	21	100	30
47	<u>3/</u> 99.5	21	100	30
1948	<u>3/</u> 99.5	15	100	30
49	<u>3/</u> 91	12	100	30
50	<u>2/</u> 94	12	100	30
1951	<u>2/</u> 98	12	100	30
52	<u>2/</u> 103	12	100	30
53	<u>2/</u> 103	12	100	30
Sept. 1954	<u>2/</u> 103	8	100	30

- 1/ Official selling rates.
2/ Free rate in Canada.
3/ Official selling rate.
4/ End of December averages.

SOURCE: International Financial Statistics,
 Vol. VII, No. 11, November 1954.
 Converted from unit per U.S. dollar.

VEGETABLES, FRESH: Import duties in specified countries

Country and commodity	Rate of duty	Limitations
<u>Canada 1/</u>		
Peas, green.....	2¢ per lb.; 12 weeks	PF free; MFN; other periods 10%; GATT
Beans, green....	1.5¢ " " ; 14 " 2/	" " " 10%; "
Peppers, green..	10% throughout year	PF free.
Tomatoes, fresh:	1.5¢ per lb. 32 weeks	PF free; MFN; other periods 10%; GATT
Onions,		
(except sets):	1¢ " " 40 weeks	" " " 10%; "
Lettuce.....	1¢ " " 18 weeks 2/	" " " 10%; "
Celery.....	1¢ " " 24 weeks 2/	" " " 10%; "
Spinach.....	10% throughout year	PF free. GATT
Potatoes.....	37.5¢ per cwt. 6/15- 7/31	PF free; MFN; other periods free; GATT
<u>Cuba</u>		
Vegetables.....	.7¢ per lb. 11/1- 5/31	None
"5¢ " " 6/1-10/31	"
Onions	1.8¢ " " 11/15-5/31	"
"7¢ " " 6/1-11/14	"
Potatoes	\$2.18 " cwt. 12/1- 6/30	"
"	\$1.36 " " July	"
"	\$.45 " " 8/1-10/31	"
"	\$1.36 " " November	"
<u>Venezuela</u>		
Onions.....	16¢ per lb.	Subject to import license
Potatoes.....	\$2.40 " cwt.	" " " "
Lettuce and celery.....	16¢ per lb.	None
<u>Mexico 3/</u>		
Peas, fresh.....	.036¢ per lb. plus 10%	Official valuation 1.1¢ per lb.
Onions.....	.07¢ " " " 10%	" " 3.4¢ " "
Vegetables 4/ ..	.036¢ " " " 10%	" " 2.9¢ " "
Tomatoes.....	.036¢ " " " 10%	" " .9¢ " "
Potatoes.....	.1¢ " " " 10%	" " 3.3¢ " "
Peppers, chili..	.7¢ per lb. plus 25%	" " 6.4¢ " "

1/ The period of time listed means a continuous period unless otherwise specified within the 12 months ending March 31. P.F. means "preferential countries free," and M.F.N. means "most favored nations."

2/ May be divided into two periods.

3/ In Mexico there is a specific duty on the gross weight, plus a 10% ad valorem on the official valuation, or the commercial invoice value, whichever is greater. For onions, a prior import permit from the Ministry of Economy is required. Fresh vegetables are subject to a 25% surtax on the specific duty, plus the ad valorem duty. Also, there is a 3% tax on the total duty (specific duty plus ad valorem) on freight and express shipments.

4/ Includes lettuce, celery, spinach and snap beans.

Compiled from official records of the Fruit & Vegetable Division, F.A.S.
November 19, 1954.



